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conservation measures including costs associated with:

- (a) Personnel whose time is expended directly in support of such administration:
- (b) Supplies and services expended directly in support of such administration;
- (c) Equipment purchased or acquired solely for and utilized directly in support of such administration, subject to 10 CFR 600.436;
- (d) Printing, directly in support of such administration; and
- (e) Travel, directly related to such administration.

Subpart H—State Grants for Technical Assistance, Program Assistance, and Marketing

§ 455.90 Purpose.

This subpart describes what constitutes a State program for technical assistance, program assistance, and marketing that may receive financial assistance under this part and sets forth the eligibility criteria for States to receive grants for technical assistance, program assistance, and marketing.

§ 455.91 Eligibility.

To be eligible to receive financial assistance for technical assistance, program assistance, and marketing, a State must:

- (a) Have in place a State Plan approved by DOE which includes a description of the State's program or programs to provide technical assistance, program assistance, and marketing, pursuant to §455.20(j)(1);
- (b) Have established a program consistent with this part to fund, from non-Federal sources, energy conservation measures for eligible institutions;
- (c) Provide to DOE a certification pursuant to § 455.122.

§ 455.92 State technical assistance awards.

Technical assistance awards by States under this subpart are subject to all requirements of this part which apply to DOE-awarded technical assistance program grants except that States:

- (a) Are not required to award the funds in grant instruments;
- (b) May award the funds throughout the fiscal year subject to §455.144(a)(3); and
- (c) Are not required to rank applications under §455.131(b) of this part.

Subpart I—Cost Sharing

§455.100 Limits to Federal share.

Amounts made available under this part, together with any other amounts made available from other Federal sources, may not be used to pay more than 50 percent of the costs of technical assistance programs and energy conservation measures unless the grantee qualifies for the exceptions specified in §§455.141(a), 455.142(b), or for severe hardship assistance specified in §455.142(c). In cases of severe hardship, the Federal share of the cost cannot exceed 90 percent.

§ 455.101 Borrowing the non-Federal share/title to equipment.

The non-Federal share of the costs of acquiring and installing energy conservation measures may be provided by using financing or other forms of borrowed funds, such as those provided by loans and performance contracts, even if such financing does not provide for the grantee to receive clear title to the equipment being financed until after the grant is closed out. However, grantees in such cases must otherwise meet all the requirements of this part. and financing and loan agreements and performance contracts under this section are subject to the requirements of 10 CFR part 600 and the certification requirements under §455.111(e). Grantees must receive clear title to the equipment when the loan is paid off.

§ 455.102 Energy conservation measure cost-share credit.

To the extent a State provides in its State Plan, DOE may wholly or partially credit the costs of the following, with respect to a building, toward the required cost-share for an energy conservation measure grant in that building:

(a) A non-Federally funded technical assistance program;